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In the Application of:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks before examination on the merits.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-9.

Please add the following new claims:

10. A method of inducing in a human a systemic response and a local immune response of IgA, IgG or IgM antibodies or B cells secreting said antibodies, the method comprising parenterally administering to a human subject's thigh a composition comprising an immunogen of a pathogenic agent having a gateway into the rectal, genital and/or urinary mucous membranes.